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SUBJ: BAHAMAS RESERVES ITS POSITION VIS-A-VIS U.S.
200-MILE FISHING ZONE

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MEXICO CITY FOR FISHERIES ATTACHE

1. BY NOTE OF APRIL 15, 1977, GCOB "RESERVES ITS POSITION REGARDING THE EXERCISE BY THE U.S. OF EXCLUSIVE FISHERY MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY" WITHIN OUR 200-MILE FISHERIES ZONE AND "RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TAKE ACTION CONSISTENT WITH INTERNATIONAL LAW TO PROTECT ITS INTEREST IN THE ZONE." NOTE IS MERELY PRO FORMA MAKING A RECORD OF OUR PREVIOUS VERBAL AGREEMENT (REFTEL) ON RIGHT TO DISAGREE PENDING FINAL NEGOTIATION OF FISHERIES ZONE BOUNDARIES BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES AND HAS EFFECT OF PRESERVING FOR GCOB MAXIMUM MANEUVERABILITY IN SUCH NEGOTIATION. GIVEN MINIMAL
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BAHAMIAN ECONOMIC INTEREST IN FISHING IN OUR ZONE AND GIVEN, TOO, LACK OF GCOB ENFORCEMENT WHEREWITHALL, THERE WILL BE NO PRACTICAL EFFECT VIS-A-VIS OUR ENFORCEMENT IN AREA OF ZONE REFERRED TO IN GCOB NOTE.

2. TEXT OF NOTE NO. 129 FOLLOWS:

"THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND HAS THE HONOUR TO REFER TO THE DISCUSSIONS HELD ON 24TH AND 25TH FEBRUARY, 1977 BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS, REGARDING ACTION BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN RESPECT OF THE DELIMITATION OF ITS FISHERIES CONSERVATION ZONE.

"THIS ACTION PURPORTED TO DELIMIT THE BOUNDARY LINE AS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS BY STRAIGHT LINES CONNECTING THE CO-ORDINATES DESCRIBED ON THE ATTACHMENT TO THIS NOTE. THE MINISTRY ALSO HAS THE HONOUR TO REFER TO PUBLIC NOTICE 526 IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER, VOL. 42, NO. 44, MONDAY, MARCH 7TH, 1977 WHEREIN IT IS STATED, INTER ALIA, THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL EXERCISE EXCLUSIVE FISHERY MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY IN THE ZONE DESCRIBED BY THESE CO-ORDINATES.

"THE MINISTRY WISHES TO INFORM THE EMBASSY, THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS RESERVES ITS POSITION REGARDING THE EXERCISE BY THE UNITED STATES OF EXCLUSIVE FISHERY MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY WITHIN THE ZONE UNDER REFERENCE.

"THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS ALSO RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TAKE ACTION AS IS CONSISTENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WITH INTERNATIONAL LAW TO PROTECT ITS INTEREST IN THE ZONE DESCRIBED BY THE CO-ORDINATES WHICH ARE DEFINED IN THE ATTACHMENT TO THIS NOTE." COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE.
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